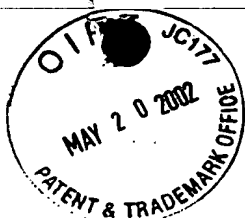


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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

In response to the official action of December 20, 2001, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

--1. (Amended) A cosmetic composition, which comprises the following components

(A) and (B):

(A) at least one moisture retaining component selected from the group consisting of amino acids and salts thereof, urea and glycinebetaine; and

(B) at least one sesquiterpene alcohol.

Please add new claims 3-14 as follows:

3. (New) The cosmetic composition of claim 1, wherein component (A) is an amino

Sub B1

A1

A2  
Sub B2